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Title: METHOD FOR PREPARING HCV E2 BINDING PROTEIN (as amended)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Applicants submit this request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 for the above-identified application.

[X] Please consider the following submission(s) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- ☐ The amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on
- ☐ The arguments in the Appeal Brief and/or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ☐ The enclosed amendment/reply submitted in response to the Official Action dated
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment

[X] Also enclosed is:

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| Independent Claims | 4 | 3 | 1 | x \$84.00 | 84.00 |
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| Total Amendment Fee | | | | | 84.00 |
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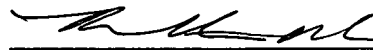
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